Literacy in Hindi speaking areas

1792. SHRIMATI VEENA VERMA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have decided to accord high priority to improve the literacy rate in the Hindi heartland (BIMARU), Bihar, Madhya Pradesh, Rajasthan and Uttar Pradesh;

(b) if so, whether any compreshensive plan has been prepared in this regard; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DEPTT. OF EDUCATION AND DEPTT. OF CULTURE) (KM. SELJA): (a) to (c) The National Literacy Mission has been mandated to make 100 million people literate in the 15-35 age group by 1997. No separate year-wise or State-wise targets have been fixed. The main approach towards literacy is through volunteer based Total Literacy Campaigns. The focus of the National Literacy Mission is now on the 4 States of Bihar, Madhya Pradesh, Rajasthan and Uttar Pradesh where according to 1991 census 48 per cent of the illiterate population aged 7 years and above reside. Of the 335 districts taken up to for under the Total Literacy Campaigns. 124 districts are in these 4 States.

Central Universities without Vice-Chancellors

1793. SHRIMATI KAMLA SINHA:
DR. BAPU KALDATE:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) what are the names of the Central Universities as on date in the country which are still without Vice-Chancellors, and since when, University wise; and

(b) what are the reasons for not appointing Vice-Chancellors of these Universities?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DEPTT. OF EDUCATION AND DEPTT. OF CULTURE) (KM. SELJA): (a) and (b) Out of the thirteen Central Universities only one University *viz.* Visva-Bharati is functioning under Acting Vice-Chancellor, because the Vice-Chancellor has resigned. The resignation of Vice-Chancellor of Visva-Bharati was accepted on January 31, 1995. Government has initiated steps for filling up this vacancy as per the provisions of the Act and Statutes of Visva-Bharati.

स्वैच्छिक संगठनों का कार्यकरण

1794. **श्री कनकसिंह मोहन सिंहे मंगरोला :**
चौधरी हरमोहन सिंह :

क्या मानव संसाधन विकास मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या सरकार मंत्रालय के अन्तर्गत विभिन्न योजनाओं का क्रियान्वयन करने वाले स्वैच्छिक संगठनों के कार्यकरण को नियमित करने एवं उन पर निगरानी रखने हेतु एक तंत्र विकसित करने पर विचार कर रही है ,

(ख) यदि हां, तो इस संबंध में अब तक कितनी प्रगति हुई है ; और

(ग) यदि नहीं, तो इसके क्या कारण हैं ?

मानव संसाधन विकास मंत्रालय (शिक्षा विभाग और संस्कृति विभाग) में उपमंत्री (कुमारी शैलजा) : (क)से (ग) राष्ट्रीय शिक्षा नीति, 1986 में यह व्यवस्था है कि